

Well-Balanced Schemes for Shallow Water Equations

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Goal: Derive a numerical scheme for the SWE that preserves steady-states.

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The system is hyperbolic since the eigenvalues of the Jacobian are given by $q/h \pm \sqrt{gh}$.

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Solver of choice for semi-discrete ODE: SSPRK(2,2):

$$u^{(1)} = u^n + \Delta t f(u^n), \quad u^{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} u^n + \frac{1}{2} u^{(1)} + \frac{1}{2} \Delta t f(u^{(1)}).$$

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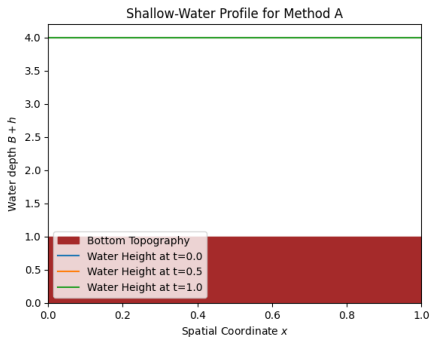
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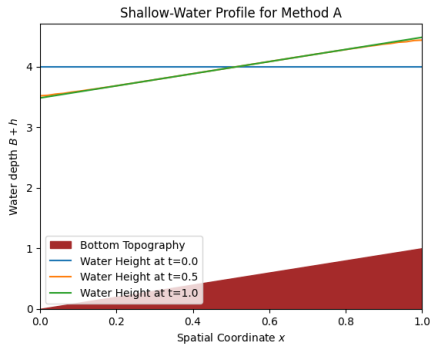
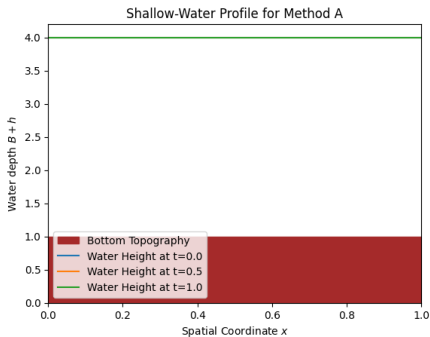
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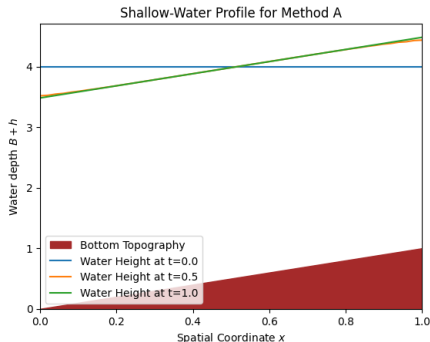
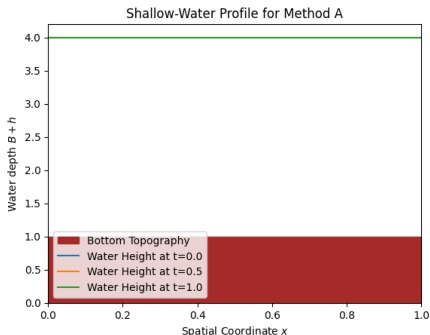
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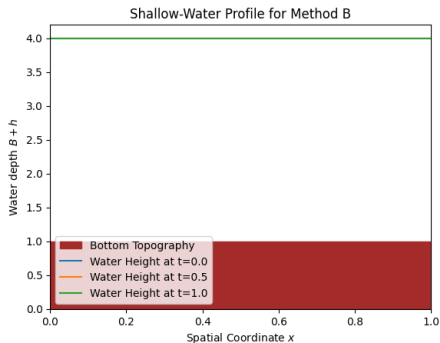
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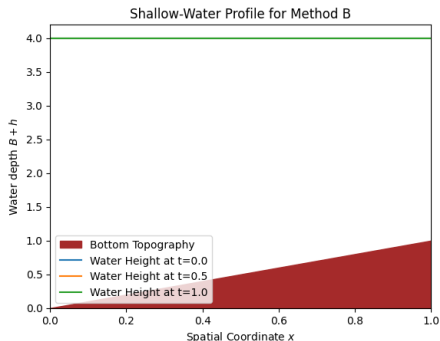
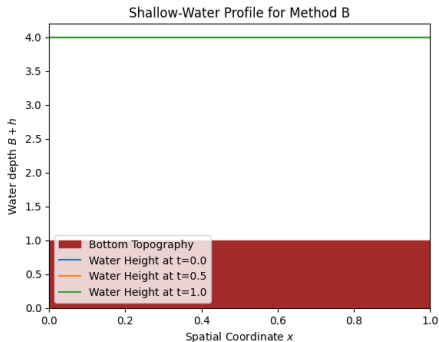
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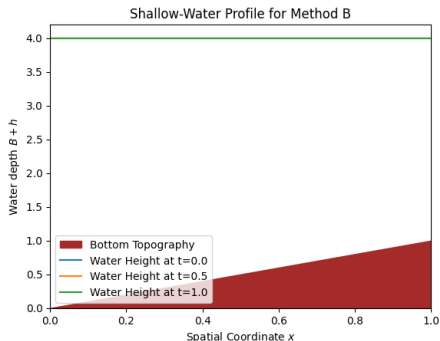
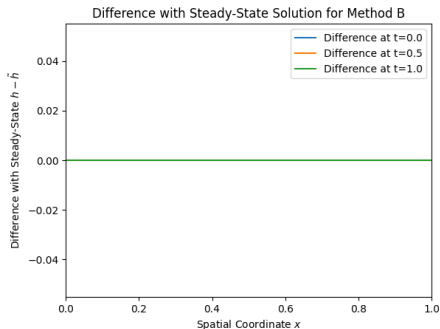
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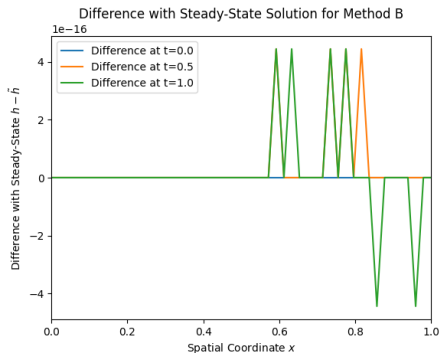
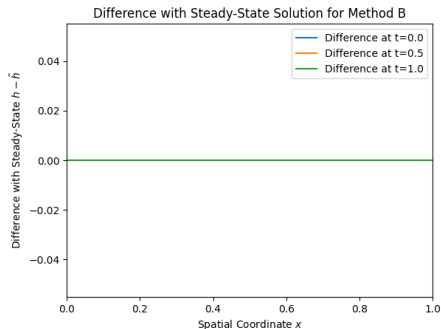
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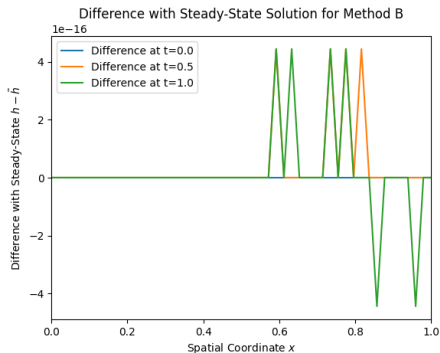
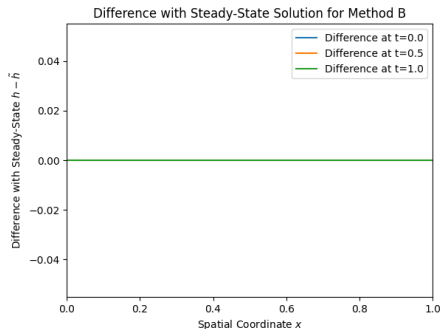
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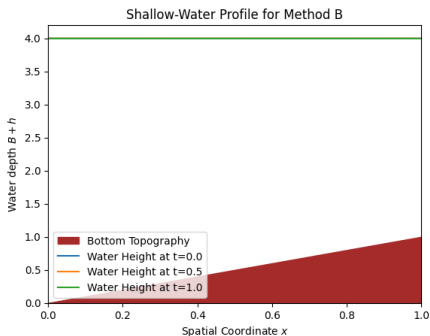
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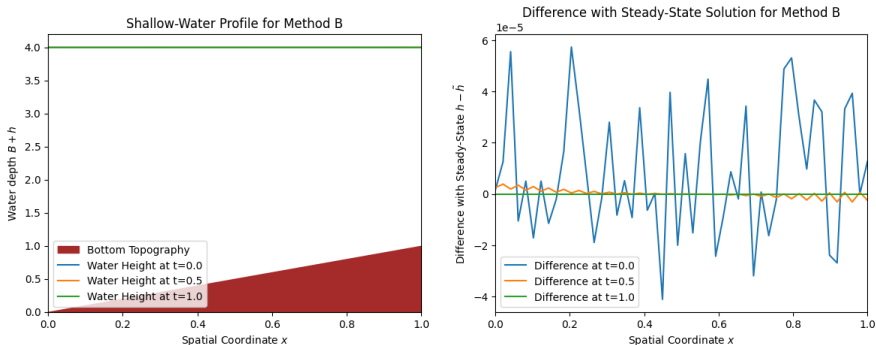
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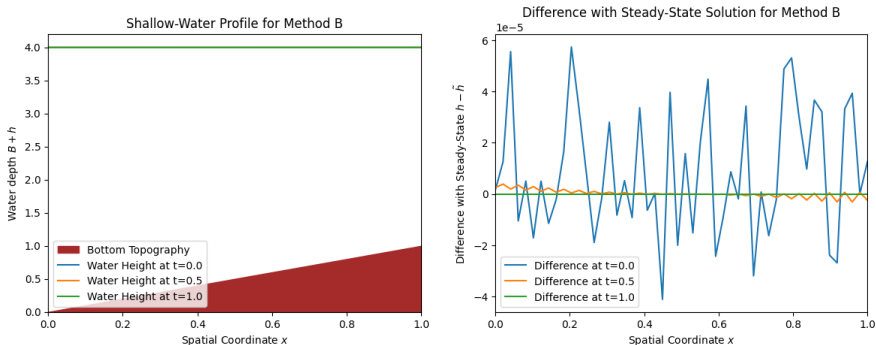
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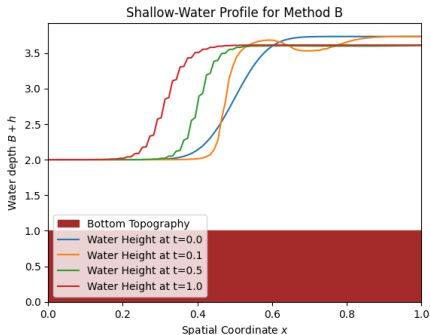
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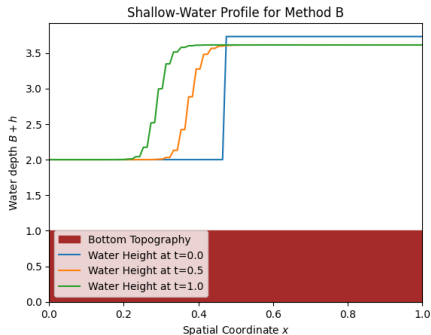
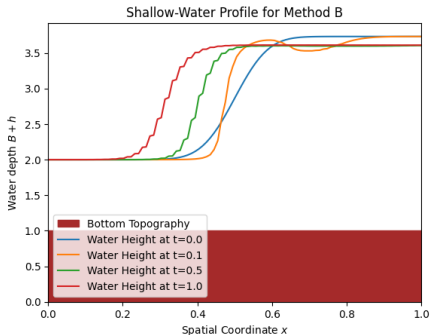
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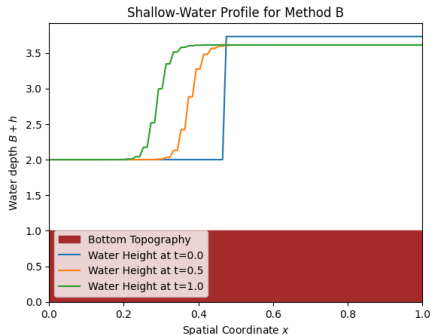
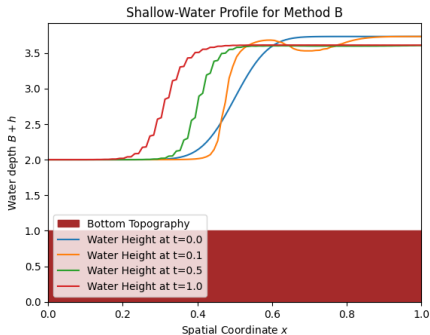
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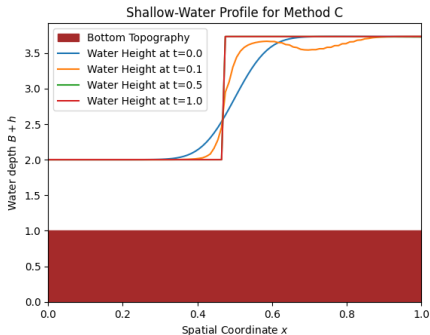
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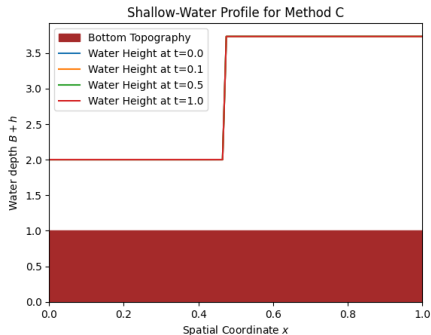
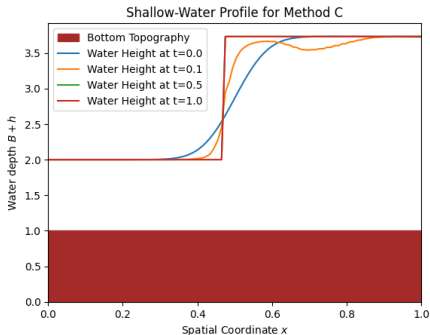
$$\begin{aligned}\bar{\mathbf{S}}_j^{(2)} \approx & -g \cdot \frac{h_{j+1/2}^- + h_{j-1/2}^+}{2} \cdot \frac{B_{j+1/2} - B_{j-1/2}}{\Delta x} \\ & + \frac{\left(u_{j+1/2}^- - u_{j-1/2}^+\right)^2}{4\Delta x} \cdot (h_{j+1/2}^- - h_{j-1/2}^+).\end{aligned}$$

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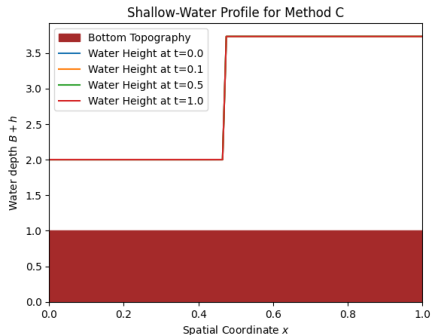
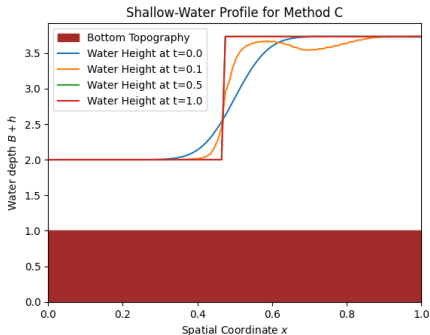
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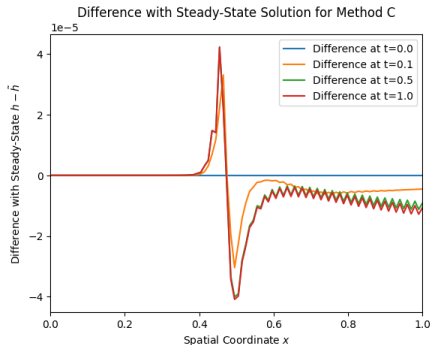
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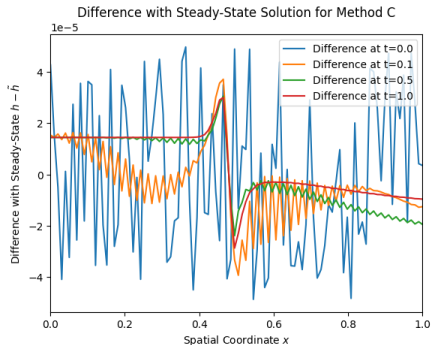
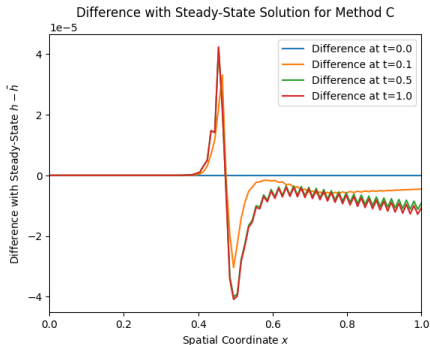
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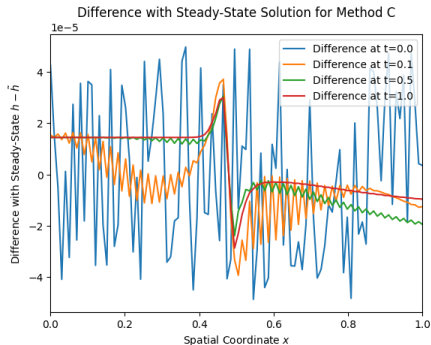
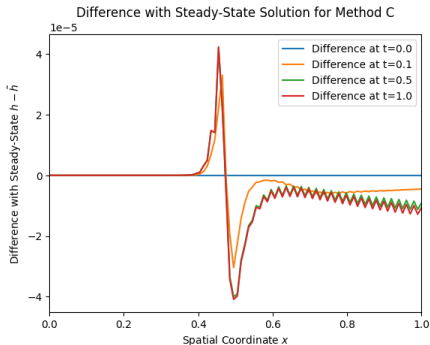
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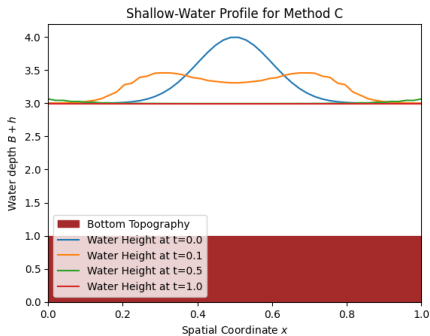
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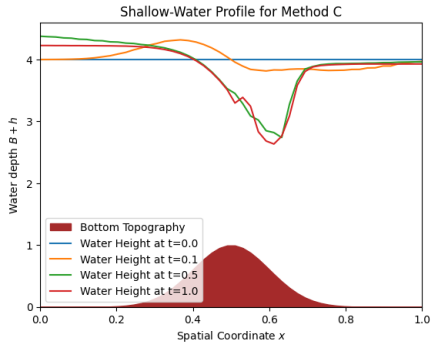
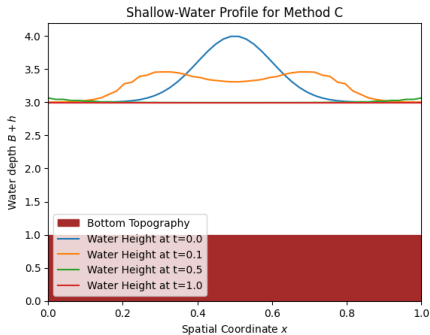
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